ear Friends,

I hope you are enjoying these summer months and the good weather. This time of year we will probably all be getting out and about, even travelling further afield for holidays perhaps. Do you visit a local church while you are away? Geoff and I have done so on numerous occasions with a real mixed response from the regular congregation

For the most part they are very welcoming and interested in where we have come from but we have been to a couple of churches where no one spoke to us at all. There was one lovely church we visited in Cheddar which, when we arrived, we almost doubled the congregation, and we were just handed some books with no response to our "Good mornings".

We sat down feeling very awkward and wondering if we could discreetly leave, when the organ started playing and a wonderful procession of an enormous choir and several clergy filed out from the vestry. It turned out to be a very uplifting service with incredible music and singing, and at coffee in the church afterwards everyone was very friendly and chatty — even the lady who had given us our books!

"it is those first impressions that so often count"

But it is those first impressions that so often count. We regularly have visitors to our church, all year round, and I am happy to say that I have only ever had comments about how welcoming and friendly everyone was.

However it is not just visitors we need to welcome. This month we are having a Teddy Bear's picnic on August 6th to help us maintain contact with our Baptism families, Messy church families and anyone with younger children who would like to come. These events are important for sustaining that initial welcome to our church even when people cannot make regular Sunday services.

As it says in Paul's letter to the Hebrews 13:1 "Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers for by doing that some have

#### The Letter

entertained angels without knowing it". And of course in Matthew 25 Jesus tells us that when we show hospitality to others we are doing the same to Jesus.

So who is responsible for welcoming and being hospitable to those who come into our church? Well of course the clergy, but often on a Sunday morning we are busy preparing for the service and may not notice a visitor unless they are pointed out to us. But far more importantly it is all of you whether you are part of the side person's team or not. The team do a wonderful job of welcoming everyone on a Sunday morning but when the visitor/new person goes and sits down what happens then? A "good morning" with a smile can often encourage a person to engage in a brief conversation or even if they do not you have at least tried. So many times we get involved with those whom we need to see or speak to — and we can ignore the person sitting next to us.

Church is not about coming to spend time with our friends – we are all there to give worship and praise to God. And we can all help facilitate that worship by being welcoming and hospitable to one another, whether friend or stranger.

Then that hospitality will extend beyond the church to the wider community, so that anyone can feel there is a safe, welcoming place to come to in the village.

# "...we must not become complacent"

In the third letter of John it is written "Beloved, you do faithfully whatever you do for friends even though they are strangers to you; they have testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on in a manner worthy of God".

I believe we are a welcoming hospitable church but we must not become complacent. We have lots of new families who have come for Baptism or attended Messy Church and are finding their way to services on Sunday morning. Let's make sure they know how welcome they are. As well as being the Church's mission it is a vital part of sharing God's love with all. So keep up the good work you are doing and thank you for all your help in making our church such a welcoming friendly place to be.

With love in Christ.

Sandie

# All Saints Church Services

#### Sunday 6th August – 8th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Parish Communion6.00pm Healing Service

#### Sunday 13th August – 9th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion9.30pm Parish Communion6.00pm Informal Service

#### Sunday 20th August - DABS Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Family Praise/DABS

6.00pm Evensong

#### Sunday 27th August – 11th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Parish Communion

11.15am Baptism6.00pm Evensong

Every Thursday there is a Communion at 11am.

– this is a 'said' Prayer Book Communion Service.

Morning Prayer is said daily at 8.30am.

The Church is open for private prayer. If you wish to light a candle, there is a candle stand in the Sanctuary of the Chapel of Healing and Unity.

# Next Messy Church – Saturday September 16th at 3.30

# (No Messy Church in August)

For all families with children

- the whole family is welcome to Messy Church
- grandparents and carers included.

Join us in this fun-filled afternoon of craft, singing and eating together. We meet in the Church Hall from 3.30pm – 5.30pm.

Further information can be found at www.allsaintsdenmead.org.uk/messy-church or from Revd. Emma Racklyeft 023 9226 2647 or Revd. Sandie Osborne 023 9236 2591.



# CAKES CAKES CAKES.....

This year it was decided that in Denmead, there would NOT be a door to door collection for Christian Aid. Instead we would invite people to join us for free refreshments in the church hall on the Saturday morning at the end of Christian Aid week.

Every household in the village received an invitation and a Christian Aid envelope with the hope that they would return their envelopes on that morning.

Numerous cakes were donated – tea and coffee were freely available and there was a good buzzing atmosphere in the church hall. A video also played during the morning, showing the work and support of Christian Aid – and overall, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

There was a 'postbox' in which to leave your envelope if you wished – there was no pressure to stay and chat and no pressure to produce an envelope or donation for your refreshments! It was just a lovely opportunity for people to pop in and enjoy some

company and a cuppa...

And the result of this new venture? – the final total sent to Christian Aid was £3,350 – a real success and a very big thank you to everyone who contributed to this.

We plan to repeat the free coffee morning next year on Saturday May 19th 2018 – please come and join us!



# Denmead Baptist Church

Denmead Baptist Church is a small, friendly fellowship which has worshipped in the village since 1717 and has been at 'The Cornerstone' since 2014.

Our weekly Sunday services start at 10.30am, they are informal and incorporate a worship band, children's activities and bible based teaching for the adults and young people. We also enjoy many social activities together.

Noah's Ark parent and toddler group runs on Wednesdays, 10-11.30am. £1 adult 50p per child

For further information, please go to:

Website: www.denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

Email: admin@denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk for room bookings/enquiries

'The Cornerstone', 22 Mead End Road, Denmead, Waterlooville PO7 6PZ

We look forward to welcoming you to our church.



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

# **Mass Times**

Saturday Mass Vigil: 6.15 pm
Sunday Masses
10.30 am Children's Liturgy
6.30 pm Folk Mass
Please refer to Newsletter for

Please refer to Newsletter for weekday Mass times. The Church of the Sacred Heart
and St Peter the Apostle
356 London Road, Waterlooville,
Hampshire PO7 7SR
Parish Priest: Rev Mgr Canon Jeremy Garratt
(023) 9226 2289
shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
www.waterlooville-catholic.org.uk

# **Home Visiting Group**

If you are lonely, sick or housebound or would just like someone to visit you we have a confidential visiting team and one of our members would willingly come, visit and spend time listening to you.

Please phone us on 9226 8757. If the answerphone is on leave a message and we will phone you back.

# **Bereavement Support**

There is a monthly 'Tea and Friendship' afternoon for anyone recently bereaved. This is an informal time when people can meet others, have tea and make friends.

We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month between 2-4pm in the church hall. For more information please phone All Saints Church office 9226 8757 or Merill Partridge 9226 6159.

# **The Kangaroo Clinic**

On a recent visit to the Government Hospital at Koforidua, Eastern Region, Ghana, I was invited to visit the 'Kangaroo Clinic' – I was most intrigued! It transpired that the clinic had been running for 2/3 months and its ethos was inspired by similar clinics in Columbia, South America, working with mothers and their premature babies.



It is officially called The Kangaroo Mother Care Programme and it deals with 3 aspects of childcare after a premature birth – POSITION, FEEDING and SUPPORT.

The idea is that premature babies are not put into incubators, (unless seriously ill) but are bonded with mum 24 hours a day, on a skin to skin basis i.e. like a kangaroo joey. (Dad can take over for short periods but always baby is swaddled, skin to skin). Mothers are shown

how to do this and the importance of never leaving the baby, uncuddled. They are also taught how to express breast milk and feed it to baby by pipette, progressing onto small bottles.

Mothers have to attend the clinic every day for the first week or two until baby is thriving. At each clinic the baby is weighed and measured and mum receives support.

After 3 - 6 months, both the mother and especially the baby are assessed by a team of clinical psychologists to check the child's mental and physical abilities.

When I visited in April 2017, Koforidua was the only hospital in Ghana operating this programme and the results were good. Most babies born around 28 weeks were thriving without taking up valuable space in an incubator (Koforidua only have about 6 for a population of 400,000). The mothers were cooperating with the programme but the psychologists were concerned that they were desperately short of 'sensory' toys/lights to stimulate the babies and thus assess their progress. We are hoping to supply some toys on our next visit and find out how the clinic is progressing.



Angela Herring

# From the Registers

## **Baptisms**

27th August – Florence Olivia Gurr

# Weddings

17th August – William Maurice Graham Lambert and Sarah Jane Hensman

#### **Funerals**

I Ith July – Joan Scott aged 84

# Denmead Voluntary Care Group Celebrates 40 Years

The Denmead Voluntary Care Group (known locally as Communicare) has just celebrated its 40th Anniversary by holding a garden party to thank all the many volunteers who provide their time and support to continue the success of this very valuable service to the communities of Denmead and Hambledon.

The idea for Communicare was conceived by the late Dr Bristow in the Health Centre Car Park and together with other enthusiasts, the first minibus was organised; we are now on our fourth.

Nowadays the minibus is in constant use and takes passengers on shopping trips, outings, to Luncheon Club and is also used by church groups, the WI and the Youth Club. To become a minibus driver, please contact Philippa Warren 023 9259 2118. There is an age limit of 70, but you do not

require a special licence and you will not be asked to commit yourself more than once a month.

The other service provides transport by volunteers using their own vehicles and takes villagers to hospital appointments, clinics, surgeries etc when family support is not available. To become a volunteer driver, using your own car, please contact Cynthia Jenkins 023 9225 5084.

The operation of Communicare, which is a charity, is self-financed through the Supporters Club. If anyone is interested in joining the Supporters Club for £6 per year please contact Elaine Higgins 023 9234 8332. This entitles the subscriber to be entered in a quarterly draw and the top prize is £60.

New members and volunteer drivers are always welcome.



# What's on This Month, and Where

#### Venue Abbreviations:

ASC = All Saints' Church

CH = Church Hall; HR = Heath Room; UR = Upper Room;

Contact Church Office 9226 8757

MH = Memorial Hall

Contact Mrs SThomas 9235 5993

DCC = Denmead Community Centre

Contact Mr R Bainbridge MBE, 9225 6132

PC = Denmead Parish Council Contact Tony Daniells, 9224 7947

SHQ = Scout Headquarters

BC = Baptist Church (Cornerstone, Mead End Road)

D = Daily W = Weekly F = Fortnightly M = Monthly

Events occurring Daily and Weekly are only mentioned once

- i.e. in the first week of the month.

- Times shown refer to hall bookings please check with organisers for exact times of their events.
- Diary entries should be sent to Gill Barge (denmeadbarges@aol.com) at least one month in advance of publication.

### Not all clubs and classes will run during the school summer holiday

Tues I	CH	Positive Stroke	2.00-3.00pm	W
	HR	Coffee & a Chat (Tues & Thurs)	9.30am-Noon	W
		2xW		
DCC	U3A Art History		2.00-4.00pm	М
		Allsorts Dog Behaviour & Care	6.00-8.00pm	W
		Denmead Brass	8.00-10.00pm	W
Wed 2	DCC	Table Tennis	10.00-Noon	W
		Tai Chi	1.30-2.30pm	W
		Smart Fitness – Circuit Training	6.00-7.00pm	W
		Breakaway Quilters	7.00-10.00pm	W
		Kettle Fit	7.15-9.00pm	W
		Parish Council Meeting -Planning	7.30pm	
	At the Forest Of Bere Denmead Knit & Bitch		10.00-Noon	W
		All abilities are welcome		
Thu 3	CH	Daisy Tinies	10.00-12.30pm	W
	HR	Coffee & a Chat (Tues & Thurs)	9.30am-Noon	2xW
	DCC	Table Tennis	9.00-11.00am	W
		Citizens' Advice Bureau	9.30-11.30am	W
		Senior Citizens' Lunch Club	12.30-1.30pm	W

Fri 4	CH	Chair Exercises	2.00pm	
	DCC	Barking Glad Dog Training	6.00-7.00pm	W
		Kettle Fit	7.00-8.00pm	W
		Rose Dog Club	7.30-8.30pm	W
Sat 5	MH	Bootcamp Fitness Camp	9.30am	W
		ABS Fitness Camp	10.30am	W
	DCC	Table Tennis	10.00-Noon	W
Sun 6	CH	<b>CHURCH TEDDY BEARS' PICN</b>	NIC 3.00pm	
	DCC	Denmead Junior Brass Band	9.15-10.15am	W
		Denmead Brass Band	10.30-12.30pm	W
Mon 7	CH	Breathe Again	11.30am	W
		Slimming World	5.30 & 7.30pm	W
	DCC	FREE LEGAL ADVICE SESSION	9.30-11.30am	М
		U3A Board Games	2.30-4.30pm	М
		Smart Fitness- Circuit Training	6.00-8.00pm	W
		Table Tennis	7.00-9.00pm	W
		Bridge Club	7.00-10.00pm	W
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Sat	19	CH	DENMEAD VILLAGE SHOW			
Sun	20 /	ASC	DABS SERVICE I	0am		
Tue	22	DCC	Downland Singers	7.45-10.15pm	W	
Wed	1 23	CH	Bereavement Support Group	2.00-4.00pm	М	
		DCC	Parish Council- Finance, Admin & Personne	l 7.00pm		
			-Planning	7.30pm		
Fri	25	CH/HR	BLOOD TRANSFUSION A	I Day		
Sat	26	CH/HR	Pilgrims from St George's Church, Newbury stay overnight			
		DCC	FILM NIGHT 'VICEROY'S'	7.30 <sub>pm</sub>	М	

#### **COMING SOON**

Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> CH **DENMEAD ART EXHIBITION** 

Information from www.denmead-art.co.uk



# **Denmead Community Centre**

# Denmead Film Night – Viceroy's House, Saturday 26th August

Seventy years after the Partition of India, director Gurinder Chadha delivers this poignant tribute to the millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Muslims – including members of her own family – who were uprooted or killed in what remains the largest mass migration of people in history. The final Viceroy of India, Lord Mountbatten, is tasked with overseeing the transition of British India to independence, but meets with conflict as different sides clash in the face of monumental change. Starring Hugh Bonneville and Gillian Anderson. Highly recommended.

To reserve your tickets call 92 256132.

If you would like to receive our electronic newsletter detailing the events and activities held at the Community Centre, just visit our website <a href="www.denmeadca.com">www.denmeadca.com</a>.and click "join the email list".



# **Denmead Village Show**

# Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 11am to 5pm All Saints Church Hall & grounds

Show organised by **Denmead Horticultural Society** - see the exhibits in the hall and church when judging is complete – flowers, fruit, vegetables, homecraft, handicraft, floral art, photography, beekeepers, junior & novelty classes – hall closes at 4pm for removal of exhibits followed by auction of produce at 4.30pm.

**Juggling Jake** 

Fox & Hounds Bar & hot food

**Portsmouth Bee Keepers** 

**Bere Dairy Ice Cream** 

**Iron Maid Blacksmith** 

**Coconut shy** 

**Archery** 

**Squinty McGinty band** 

**Country Park Spinners** 

Farm Animals

**FUN DOG SHOW 2pm** 

**Crockery smashing** 

Pole dancing display

Face painter

**Punch & Judy** 

Children's Roundabout

**Skittles** 

Tea Terrace for sandwiches & cakes

**Craft & Plant stalls** 

**Bottle stall** 

Raffle, draw at 4pm

Admission: Adults £2.50, OAPs £1.50, children under 14 free Note: no parking on site so please walk, bicycle or use the bus if you can.



# **Denmead Horticultural Society**

In June some of our members enjoyed an evening visit, in spite of the rain, to the lovely garden of the Manor House at Exton followed by a meal at The Shoe.

Our July talk by David Standing was on Gilbert White the Gardener. David started work at The Wakes, Selborne in 1978 and retired as head gardener this year. He did extensive research into the garden as it was in the famous naturalist clergyman's time and has restored many of the original features including the cut out figure of Hercules viewed through a series of six field gates and the mount, made from soil excavated when the ha-ha was made, topped by a swivelling seat made from a port barrel. David also told us about the plants grown in the garden in the 18th century which included many vegetables and varieties of fruit. Flowers included Venus Looking Glass, Marvel of Peru, Chimney Bellflower, Sweet Rocket and many old roses including, appropriately, Rambling Rector. David's talk gave us a fascinating insight into the history of Gilbert White's garden and made many of us want to visit.

We don't have a talk in August but are back on 5th September with Ben Cross talking on Alstroemerias and the British Cut Flower Industry.

Our big event this month is the

Village Show on Saturday 19th
August. New attractions include
Juggling Jake who will perform in
the arena as well as teaching circus
skills throughout the day, Iron Maid
a female blacksmith from Southsea
and Squinty McGinty folk band who
will provide the music. The Fox and
Hounds are running a bar and
supplying hot food and the Tea
Terrace will be open for sandwiches
and home made cakes. Returning
favourites include Punch and Judy,

Farm Animals, the Pole Dancer and the Fun Dog Show so there is



#### Around the Green

plenty to interest all ages and of course the most important part of the show will be the wonderful exhibits of all sorts in the hall and church – so please join us for an enjoyable and entertaining day.

Liz Williams, 023 9226 9642, liz@greensleeves.eclipse.co.uk



# **Rowans Fundraising Events**



# A Tasting Evening

Local food, wine, beer, cider all to the accompaniment the Stony Riders Band.

# Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September. All Saints Church Hall, Denmead

Tickets from 07947 611699 patricia.bailey333@gmail.com

We are now taking names for the visit to see the home of the Chelsea Pensioners on 28th November. More information about any of the information above please contact me.

07947 611699 patricia.bailey333@gmail.com

# Denmead Evening Women's Institute

### What we have been up to ...

- Trip to London for some of us to see the show "The Girls." This is a musical interpretation of The Calendar Girls written by Gary Barlow & Tim Firth and is a fantastic show. It will begin a two year tour of 42 theatres in the UK next year so there may be an opportunity to see it locally.
- A monthly Meet & Eat at The Bakehouse always lots of chatter & laughter at these gatherings.
- At our July members meeting we heard all about the work of the Portsmouth
  Street Pastors. They provide a volunteer street patrol scheme and offer support in a
  non-judgmental way to vulnerable people. Their kitbag contains wet wipes, tissues,
  thermal blankets, and even flip flops, and their work has contributed to seeing a
  reduction of nearly 40% in public place violent crime.
- Our two Quiz teams and our Darts team have been having fun and our winning Quiz Team A will participate in the county finals in September.

# Coming up in August ...

1st – Meet & Eat lunch at The White Hart

8th - Craft Evening at the Community Centre Barn Green Room

16th – Boules & Croquet event at All Saints Church Hall (indoor games if wet)

19th – Our DEWI Stand at the Village Show – do come and say hello

23rd – Bere Forest Group Skittles competition at the RNA Club Waterlooville

Any ladies who would like to join us at any of these events to see what the WI is all about would receive a very warm welcome. Guests can attend up to 3 meetings free of charge prior to joining. Our regular meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm at Denmead Memorial Hall (second Wednesday in December). If you are unable to attend in the evening then Denmead Afternoon Institute would welcome you to their meetings at 2.00 pm on the first Wednesday of the month at the Memorial Hall.

More information is available on www.hampshirewi.org.uk or call Irene Woodings (023 9226 3465)

# Hampshire County Council

#### **Fully Charged**

There are now more than two million electric cars in the world, and in May this year a record 4.4% of new cars sold in the UK were hybrid or electric models. Hampshire County Council is driving forward plans to expand the number of electric vehicle charging points across the County, and converting its small vehicle fleet from diesel to electric as part of a £2.7 million investment in energy saving technology.

After saving £29.9 million in energy costs and cutting carbon emissions by 35.8% since 2010, the County Council recently published plans to invest £2.7 million in to the next phase of its Energy and Carbon Management Programme which includes:

- Installation of approximately 40 new electric vehicle charging points at sites to be finalised, in addition to the 14 already owned by the County Council.
- Investigating the feasibility of converting its 156 small vehicle fleet and 23 staff pool cars from diesel to electric on a phased basis.
- Replacing up to 75% of existing inefficient light fittings with LED lights in the County Council's corporate buildings.

# Stubbington Bypass

Plans for the Stubbington Bypass are set to move forward another step as Hampshire County Council has been asked to give the go ahead for work behind the scenes to begin. The proposed Stubbington Bypass comprises of a 3.5 kilometre road to the south of Fareham and the north-west of Stubbington, designed to alleviate local traffic problems and support long-term plans for regeneration and economic development. It will provide a connection from the B3334 Titchfield Road to Gosport Road with additional improvements to the existing sections at Titchfield Road at its northern end and Gosport Road at the southern end of the alignment.

#### Help for Young People - Traineeships

Do you know a young person who lacks confidence and skills, is not yet ready to do an apprenticeship, but does want to get on the career ladder? Traineeships are supportive programmes that provide training in core skills such as maths and English, together with an extended period of well-planned work experience, and support with career-building skills, such as CV-writing and interview techniques. Traineeships often lead directly to apprenticeships.

Hampshire County Council offers traineeships in many of its services, led by highly-skilled tutors in a supportive environment. A traineeship is also a great option for someone who has dropped out of sixth form or college, and is unsure where to turn next.

Many of Hampshire County Council's trainees go on to get an apprenticeship or a full-time job at the County Council

Find out more about traineeships by visiting https://www.hants.gov.uk/traineeshipplus

#### Obesity

Almost 7 in 10 of Hampshire adults are overweight or obese and the cost to the NHS in Hampshire in managing diseases related to obesity is estimated at almost £340 million per year! The County Council has commissioned a new self-referral service for people aged 18 years and over. If you are a resident in the administrative county of Hampshire, or are registered with a Hampshire GP and have a Body Mass Index [BMI] of 30+, or don't know what your BMI is but think you might qualify for this free service, call 0345 602 7068. People who qualify will be offered a free tailored service and will aim to lose not less than 5% of their body weight.

#### Grants

A reminder that I have a budget which I can allocate to help community projects in Denmead. Any organisation can apply, but it must have a Treasurer and a Constitution/Terms of Reference. To find out more visit http://www3.hants.gov.uk/grants/county-councillor-grants.htm. If you think your organisation would benefit, please contact me and discuss before submitting your online application.

With best wishes.

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### CAB

Lesley Rose, Advice Services Manager for Citizens Advice Winchester District, gives advice on how to spot a SCAM.



I'm planning a long holiday and have been struggling to find travel insurance for a reasonable price. I've found a good deal from a Facebook advert but my friend thinks it might be a scam. How can I be sure if it's legitimate?

Your friend is right to raise the possibility that it might be a scam and you should do some research on the company before making a purchase.

Insurance is a financial product and the seller must be registered with the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). Check they're listed on the financial watchdog's register which can be viewed on its website.

If they're not named, take your business to a different provider as the seller will not be legitimate. If they are listed, it's still worth doing further checks on them.

A good starting point is comparing the price of the insurance deal with similar offers from competitors. Big discounts are often a telltale sign of a scam, but it could also be that the policy is cheap because it doesn't provide adequate cover.

Ask for a copy of the full policy so you can check it against where you're going and what you're doing. If the seller won't provide one, or says they will only give it to you it after you've paid, don't give them your business.

Once you know the seller is legitimate use a secure payment method, such as a money transfer service like PayPal, to pay for the insurance. Don't pay with a bank transfer, and don't go ahead with the deal if they ask you to.



For more information contact Winchester District Citizens Advice Bureau, at our Bishops Waltham office, (Well House, 2 Brook Street, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1AX, 01489 896376) or Denmead Outreach at Denmead Community Centre, School Lane, Denmead, Thurs 1 – 3pm.

Alternatively, call the Adviceline on 03444

Citizens Advice Winchester District is an independent charity offering free, high quality advice to everyone in our community.

For further advice contact the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 03454 04 05 06 or Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or call into your local Citizens Advice centre.

# **Denmead Afternoon Women's Institute**

At our July meeting we welcomed Mrs Flizabeth Caush to talk about "The Therapeutic Art of Knitting". She explained that knitting can help with bereavement or illness. She led a group of patients from the Memory Loss group at QA hospital in making knitted blankets. Unlike a knitted garment a blanket doesn't have to be perfect. She showed us examples of various patterns which can easily be knitted with a variety of materials. Elizabeth has put these into a book of blanket patterns. Knit for Peace is based in Hampstead and was started when the women of two warring Indian tribes got together to knit and as a result peace between the two tribes was established. Donations are being collected in September for the Grenfell Tower survivors for the winter months. Keep Britain Warm knits squares which are made into dressing gowns or smoking jackets, so simple knitting can help less fortunate people as well as providing therapy to the knitter.

The competition for a knitted item was won by Diane Pye with Joan Elliott second.

Angela MacNee won the flower competition with Joan Spooner second.

Arrangements were made for the coach party tea later in the month. The Winchester Hard of Hearing group have been visiting us for many years and through them we found Mervyns Coaches whom we will use for our

outing this month. This is our main source of income to enable the institute to continue.

Instead of a monthly meeting this month we will have an outing to Jane Austen's House and a trip on the Watercress Line. As we are a coach party we are fortunate to have our own carriage on the train.

The institute will again have a stall at the Horticultural Society's Village Show on Saturday 19th. where we look forward to meeting visitors and friends.

We will be taking part in the Group Round of the Skittles competition and send good wishes to the team.

Our meeting in September will include a talk by Gwen Appleton on the traumas of the travel trade.

We extend a warm welcome to all ladies to our meetings held at 2pm on the 1st Wednesday in the month in the Memorial Hall, Hambledon Road. WI offers monthly talks and demonstrations on a variety of subjects as well as participating in Group or County activities. WI is the ideal way to learn a new skill and make new friends, especially if you are new to the village. If afternoons are not suitable Denmead Evening institute would welcome you at 7.30 on the third Wednesday of the month.

Joan Downing (9226 5458).

### Waterlooville Probus Club

Waterlooville Probus Club provides a meeting place for retired or semi-retired, professional or business, ladies and gentlemen. We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 'The Chairmakers', Worlds End, Hambledon, PO7 4OX.

The next meeting will be held on the 12th September 2017, from 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. We meet for a drink and a chat with fellow members and after a 3-course lunch, our guest speaker Colin van Geffen will give a presentation entitled 'The Red Arrows - Selection and Training'.

If you would like further information on the Probus Club, please contact our Secretary, Peter Quine, on 079 2662 0530 or by e-mail to peterpia I 989@outlook.com.

# **Useful Local Contact Numbers**

DENMEAD BAPTIST CHURCH www.denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk 22 Mead End Road, Denmead, PO7 6PZ.Tel: 9307 8372, email: admin@denmeadbaptistchurch.org.uk

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH www.waterlooville-catholic.org.uk Parish Priest: Rev Mgr Canon Jeremy Garratt, (023) 9226 2289 shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

The Registrar of Births and Deaths: Appointments Only. Telephone: (01489) 894044

Health Centre: 023 9223 9630

General Visiting, and Help in Bereavement – please contact Church Office: 9226 8757

Denmead Community Care Group: (COMMUNICARE) 023 9223 9630

Denmead Community Centre: 9225 6132 9am - 3pm, Monday-Friday

Memorial Hall Bookings: Mrs SThomas, 9235 5993

Police Contact No: 08450 45 45 45 Burial Ground enquiries: 9224 7947 Denmead Parish Council: 9224 7947

Winchester City Council 01962 840222